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PLAIN SPEAKING.

KING GEORGE LOSES NO TIME IN HONOURING THE LATE VISCOUNT.

"Sir Garnet" Wolseley's Monument to occupy the vacant Pedestal in Trafalgar Square.

We are able to announce that the first suggestion in regard to the national memorial to the late Viscount Wolseley came from the King. No official notification of this has, of course, yet appeared, nor will appear until the famous "Sir Garnet" has been dead some weeks. But already the King has had communications with his Office of Works in regard to the erection of an equestrian statue to Lord Wolseley, and up till now the main idea is to utilise the vacant pedestal at the north-west corner of Trafalgar Square.

This pedestal, which is exactly like the one bearing the statue of King George the Fourth at the other northern corner of the Square, was originally reserved for a future monarch, but King William IV. was immortalised opposite London Bridge in the City, and King Edward had a personal objection to any statue of himself being erected there.

So the pedestal has remained vacant for about eighty years, and, as all the other statues in the Square are in honour of the "national heroes," it is considered in H.M.'s Office of Works that Trafalgar Square is "just the place" for Lord Wolseley, than whom it is certain there has been no greater soldier in the British Army since the Duke of Wellington.

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How the Nation Honoured the Famous "Iron Duke."

Which reminds us, by the way, that the Duke has no fewer than three outdoor statues in his honour in London alone. There is the Achilles statue by Westmacott in Hyde Park, cast from cannon taken at Salamanca, Vittoria, Toulouse and Waterloo at a cost of £10,000, all of which was the tribute of "the women of England" to the Iron Duke.

The best known of Wellington's statues is, of course, the fine one at Hyde Park Corner by the late Sir Edgar Boehm. Then there is the equestrian statue by Chantrey at the west front of the Royal Exchange. Besides these three outdoor London landmarks the great Duke has several other reminders, tucked away in less prominent places in the Metropolis.

There is, for instance, the monument of the Duke in the Guildhall, another in St. Paul's Cathedral, and a stone statue in the Tower of London. So the nation has no need to begrudge Lord Wolseley something very handsome in the way of monuments.

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How King Edward's Prophecy over the Victoria Memorial was Fulfilled.

Incidentally it may be hoped that the Office of Works will see to it that a time-limit is made for the erection of the statue to Lord Wolseley. Sculptors are proverbially easy-going people. Everybody knows what took place over the Victoria memorial. The order was given to Sir Thomas Brock. After some years, King Edward asked Sir Thomas when it would be likely to be finished. "Oh, in about ... years," airily replied Sir Thomas. "Great Scot," said King Edward, "most of us will be dead by then!"

This hint from the King bucked Sir Thomas up a bit, the prophecy was fulfilled, for King Edward died ... the statue to his illustrious mother was completed, ... was unveiled by King George V. and the German Emperor.

And Wellington's statue in St. Paul's was only completed a few years ago, after being toyed with by its sculptor ... over forty years, and then left unfinished! The sculptor of the Wolseley statue will not be Sir Thomas Brock, ... probable selection will be Mr. Norman Mackinnell.

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King Rides with his Daughter at Windsor.

King George has just been having the happiest time of the year. Windsor is the residence His Majesty loves best, because it is so extensive, or historically interesting, ... because some of his smartest feats with the gun have been performed there; and it has been "home" to his ... childhood, as distinct from Buckingham Palace, which is a place of etiquette and formality. And in these days Windsor is the place where he and his seventeen-year-old only daughter can enjoy long gallops amongst the ... trees of the Great Park with nobody to bow to.

The past week has provided King George and Queen Mary with some very pleasant rides alone in the ... Windsor, and as the young Princess is to make her ... in the Suffolk hunting field next season, King George has been giving his daughter some hints about taking ... and water-jumps which may prove useful a few years hence. Outside her own little affairs, Princess Mary's interests are her brothers, who she "bosses" with ... tionate insolence.

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A Tragic Parallel.

The assassination of King George of the Hellenes ... poor old Francis Joseph of Austria the only monarch ... can boast of a reign of fifty years. He is now the ... the monarchs of Europe. What painful memories ... murder of King George must have called up in the ... of Francis Joseph! King George was murdered ... fiftieth anniversary of the day—March 18th, 1863 ... which he was elected by the National Assembly ... to be "King of the Hellenes."

A few years ago the present Emperor of Austria ... on the point of celebrating, with splendid festivities ... out Austria and Hungary, the fiftieth anniversary ... accession to the Dual-Monarchy. Just when the ... bunting were beginning to float over the land of the ... Cæsars an assassin struck down the Empress ... Francis Joseph's beautiful wife, and turned the land ... into a land of sorrow! The assassination of King George ... the Hellenes must have gone to the heart of Francis ... like a knife.

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Where King George Differs from His Father.

The visits which the King will next year pay to ... and Vienna are, of course, official visits, which ... made incumbent upon His Majesty's accession to the ... It is known that His Majesty has put them off as ... he possibly could, although there is never any time for ... these state visits. Last year the labour troubles caused ... the King to forego his continental round. His Majesty ... again found an excuse for not going this year, although ... will discharge the Berlin obligation on the occasion of ... cess Louise's wedding. In this respect King George is the ... very antithesis of his father.

Edward the Peacemaker was never so happy as ... smiling at a crowd on the Boulevards; being fêted by ... Royalty-worshippers from all over the world at Biarritz ... or Marienbad, or watching a game of pelota at Biarritz. By the way, this used to be the time of King Edward's annual ... jaunt to the pretty Basque resort. What a bustle there ... to be in Biarritz as the time of the "Duke of Lancaster's" ... visits came round.

Decorators and painters from all parts of France and ... Spain were wont to go to Biarritz when it was known ... that Edouard d'Angleterre was coming. And what ... of gossip the sayings and doings of His Geniality ...

Generally it was King Edward and the old Empress ... Eugenie seen talking over old days, long since forgotten ... by the public, but still strong in the hearts of the ... couple, for it was at Biarritz that Eugenie de Montijo was ... born, and there it was that Napoleon III. took home his ... bride. Another year it was Queen Amelie of Portugal ... everybody who didn't know decided that the ... widow of the murdered Carlos was bringing Edward ...

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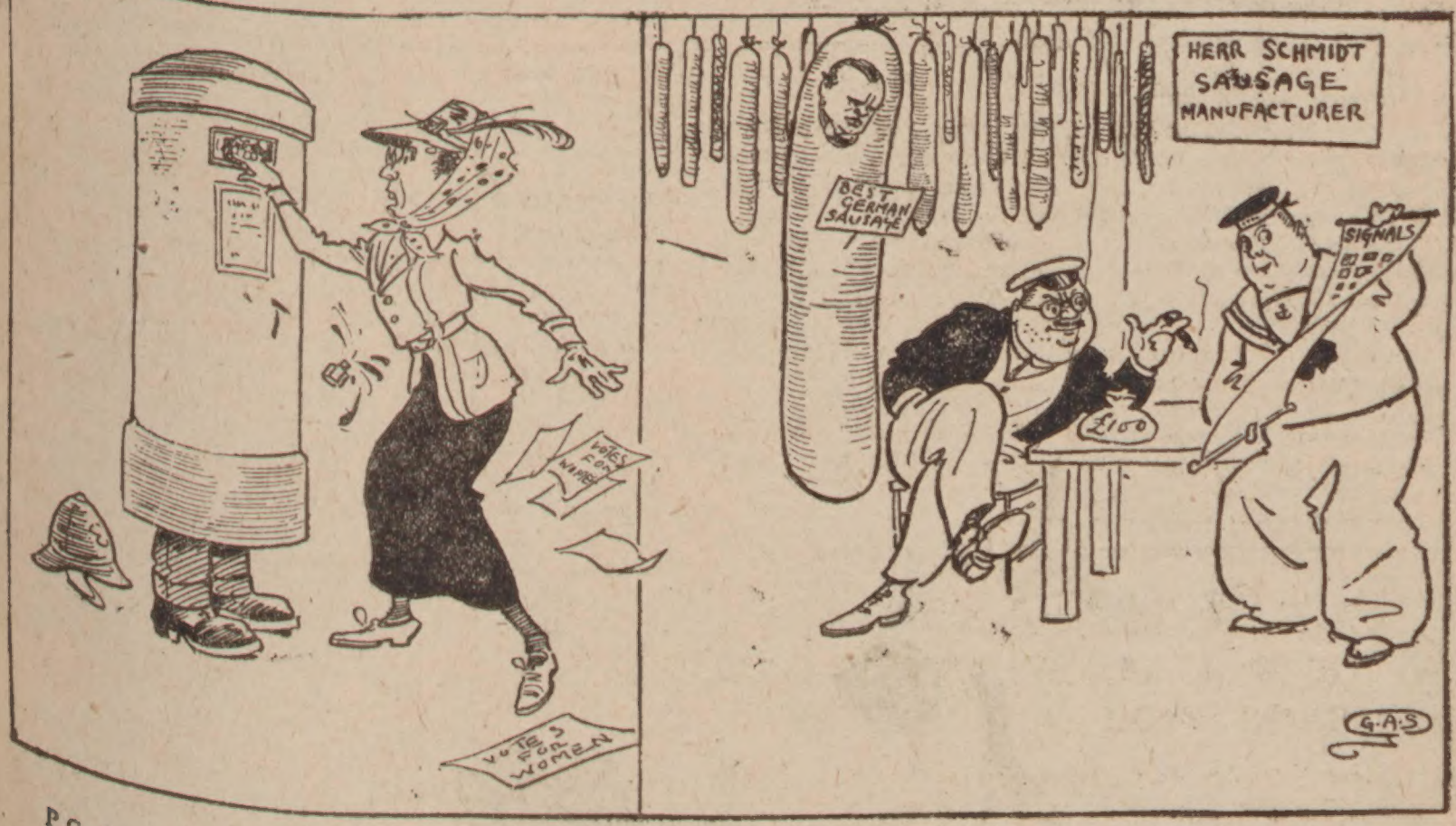
THE OTHER DAY A CONSTABLE BY MASQUERADING AS A GIRL SUCCEEDED IN BRINGING A VILLAGE FLIRT TO JUSTICE. BELOW OUR ARTIST FORESEES DEVELOPMENTS.



P.C. Sploshskins captures a suffragette whilst isguised as a letter box.

Mr. Winston Churchill disguised as a German sausage overhears a plot against the British Navy.

to a nice, happy little *affaire* between her smart young Manuel and the shy but pretty little Princess Alexandra of Fife!

Alas, who of all those great ones, with their romantic dreams, could have realised when King Edward in March, 1910, last went his morning walk to Le Rocher de la Vierge, that by March 1913 another King of England would be in the third year of his reign; the Portuguese hopeful would be an exile; and the Fife princess would be orphaned, and the bearer of her father's dukedom!

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Changes since the Days of King Edward.

When last the writer saw King Edward at Biarritz His Majesty, according to his way, was resting upon the low stone wall upon the Pont des Pecheurs. "Cæsar" was standing patiently at his Royal Master's feet, and an equerry was telling the King something funny that he had heard at dinner in the Hotel du Palais the previous evening.

All the world seemed bright and gay then, and Edward the Peacemaker was par excellence the most admired man in the world. What changes have taken place since then! The world has been full of wars and rumours of wars; several monarchs have been assassinated, while an American President has been shot within an inch of his life; and in England a stay-at-home monarch has succeeded to the throne, while "Sticky Fingers" and "Palm Oil" are epithets which are freely hurled at His Majesty's ministers and lawyers across the floor of the House of Commons! A new Empire has arisen in the East of Europe, and the power of the British House of Lords has been curtailed after an existence of seven hundred years, while a race of females has arisen who have intimidated the monarch himself, and turned the Law into a laughing-stock. Anyway, we are living in stirring times!

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The Romance of the Greek Throne.

With the death of King George of the Hellenes all the princes who were offered the vacant Hellenic throne in 1866 have now passed away. The story of how the Greek throne went a-begging is one of real romance. The Greek crown was first offered to the father of the late King Leopold of the Belgians. That was as far back as 1830. As he had been the husband of the heiress to the English throne—the Princess Charlotte, only daughter of King George IV.—he was thought to be a man of immense influence. And he was.

He largely shaped the destinies of England during the early days of the reign of Queen Victoria, for it was to her Uncle Leopold that the young Queen turned for advice whenever she couldn't accept that of the Duke of Wellington. However, Leopold of Saxe-Coburg wasn't having anything to do with the Greeks, and so the vacant crown was offered to Prince Otto of Bavaria. He accepted it; went to Athens, and reigned precariously for about three decades, and was then ignominiously fired out of Greece.

The Hellenic throne was then once again declared vacant, and was by universal suffrage conferred upon Prince Alfred of Great Britain and Ireland (the Duke of Edinburgh, King Edward's brother) by 230,016 votes out of 241,202. Prince Alfred of Wales was declared "King of the Hellenes" by the National Assembly on February 3rd, 1863, but the proffered crown was not accepted by the British Government. The Duke of Saxe-Coburg was then proposed, but he, like his cousin in Wales, would not have it.

And it was not till after King Louis Phillipe's son, the Duc d'Aumale, and another Coburger, King Ferdinand of Portugal, had refused to go to Athens, that the Crown of Greece was finally offered to the eighteen-year-old Prince in Schleswig-Holstein who became King George of the Hellenes.

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Our Houseless Peasantry.

Sir William Marling, of Stanley Park, Stroud, landowner and manufacturer, has expressed himself freely and fully on the whole painful and pitiful subject of the wretched condition of the rural labouring classes in the matter of cottage accommodation.

Sir William's words carry with them the weight of knowledge, experience and authority, and he says excellently well—all that has been said before. Sir William Marling, however, is much more than a talker. He is a doer. All his theories he has himself tested and proved in practice, on individualistic lines. But it is not on individualistic lines that this national problem of rural houselessness will ever, or can ever, be nationally settled. The root of the whole matter is money. The whole question is essentially a question of economics.

£500 IS THE FIRST PRIZE FOR RACING RESULTS.

We notice that rival plans for cheap construction are again in useless discussion—useless because no workable minimum meets the case. The proposal of *Modern Man* for the raising of capital, the putting up of good houses wherever they are wanted, the acquirement of a national asset in homes for the people—to the permanent relief of taxation and the moral and material good of the entire community—still holds the field.

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The Ubiquitous Motor.

A motor driver remarked in the witness-box the other day that "some people step off the kerb star-gazing, without looking to see if anything is approaching, as though they were crossing Salisbury Plain."

The question is, now that motored vehicles have become ubiquitous, would it be safe to cross Salisbury Plain "star-gazing, and without looking to see if anything was approaching"?

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Kerr or Cur.

Leslie Henry Fox Kerr, of 22, Lancaster Gate, 19 years of age—quite old enough to know better — was charged at Marylebone with driving a car in a dangerous manner in Wellington Road, St. John's Wood. Evidence was given that defendant drove at the rapid rate of nearly 40 miles an hour, ran into the back of a cab, knocked the cabman into the roadway, threw the horse to the ground and then bolted off at his "approaching - 40-miles-an-hour" speed, without making any inquiries as to what damage he had done.

On this evidence, of course assuming its accuracy, what should have been the sentence? Either prison without the option of a fine, or prison plus a fine. What was the sentence as a matter of fact? A fine of £10 and £3 5s. costs. Poor men don't live at Lancaster Gate, and to a man who is not poor £3 5s. is nothing to worry about. Whenever a motorist of the type of this Kerr (we are strongly inclined to spell the name the other way) is convicted, quod, not quids, should be his punishment.

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Unlighted railway carriages in long, dark tunnels are only appreciated by sweethearting couples, but [illegible] approved by the murderously-minded and feloniously-[illegible] tioned. Many a crime of blood-shed, violence, assault, robbery has been committed during the few minutes' train-plunge into subterranean gloom.

Writing to a daily contemporary, Mr. Theodore T. [illegible] of Southsea, very properly draws attention to the fact that the Midland Railway Company provide no lights for [illegible] day-trains between Bristol and Birmingham. On this [illegible] there are two cuttings, the transit of the longer occupying up to two and a half minutes—less time than is taken getting through the shorter, which has an exceptional steep gradient.

The Midland are not the only offenders in this matter of unlighted carriage in tunnels. The neglect to [illegible] is, in every case, tantamount to the provision of opportunity for crime and offence.

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TRAVESTIED PLAY TITLE:

"THE IMPORTANCE OF BEING EARNEST."

A Welcome Bill

We welcome the [illegible] ciple of Mr. King's [illegible] re-casting and [illegible] dating the law [illegible] to illegitimate [illegible] High as is the [illegible] mortality among [illegible] ren generally, it is [illegible] ribly suggestive fact [illegible] it is much higher [illegible] illegitimate [illegible] Existing legislation [illegible] fecting these poor [illegible] innocent unfortunates [illegible] "born out of wedlock" [illegible] emphasises the [illegible] point—namely, that [illegible] are illegitimate. [illegible] right point for consideration [illegible] tion is that they [illegible] children.

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Arrest without Warrant.

In supporting the Criminal Law [illegible] Slave Traffic) Amendment Bill of last year [illegible] through the course of [illegible] passage into law, we [illegible] precated the power of [illegible] summary arrest conferred on the police by [illegible] one of its clauses. [illegible] are still of opinion that [illegible] dangers and disadvantages [illegible] ages are insepar[illegible] from this clause, [illegible] of course, operate.

Under it, since the [illegible] received the Royal [illegible] in December last, [illegible] arrests have been made [illegible] in London without [illegible] rant. Of the seven [illegible] sons charged, four [illegible] convicted — one [illegible] curation, one of abduction, one of living on the earnings of immorality, and one of assault: the conviction in the last-mentioned case being, on a technical point, quashed by the Court of Criminal Appeal. The further use by the police of their new authority to arrest without warrant will be watched with considerable interest, important issues being at stake. It is not known that any one of the seven arrested persons would have escaped arrest had warrants been necessary.

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Turned Back from Boston.

The Boston Immigration authorities (U.S.A.) have shown themselves too clear-witted to be bamboozled by the egregious plea of our Militant Suffragettes that their outrages are "political" offences—though piffle of that sort seems to go down with so many of our own authorities. A woman named Florence Ward, of Birmingham, after serving a term of imprisonment for smashing windows, sought to land on American soil the other day, but was debarred on the score that she had been sentenced over here for a crime involving moral turpitude. Appearing before the Special Board of Inquiry at Boston, she "declared her offence to be political," and, according to newspaper reports, availed herself of the opportunity to express her approval of the recent dynamiting of the house which Mr. D. Lloyd George was about to occupy: the Board deciding that she wasn't the sort of Florence for America.

Our only regret is that their decision will presumably bring her back here again; in which case America's loss certainly won't be England's gain.

"Them's Our Sentiments."

A splendid little sentence came from the lips of [illegible] Lind-af-Hageby in the Court of King's Bench last [illegible] when she made her first appearance as plaintiff in [illegible] action against Dr. Caleb Williams Saleeby. "Every [illegible] in the world that is worth having has sentiment behind it," she said—and what she said is worth noting.

Sentiment is all right. It is sentimentalism, [illegible] tality, that is all wrong.

DON'T FAIL TO TEST YOUR FOOTBALL AND RACING SKILL

An Irish tramp, accosting a pedestrian, explained that he was out of work in consequence of a strike in his trade. He implored relief, and to drive home the extremity of his need declared: "Sor, I am face to face wid an empty stomach!"

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"Traffic" in Convict Establishments.

Dramatists and novelists have often been blamed and laughed at by critics for making it appear that communication between the inside and the outside of our convict establishments is a comparatively easy arrangement. On the fair assumption that what has certainly been going on at one such establishment has probably been (and is probably still) going on at others, the dramatists and novelists can now laugh at their critics. In the course of the hearing of the case against the "civil guard" Crowhurst (sentenced to four months hard) at Portland, it came out that a systematised means of illicit "traffic" had been in successful operation.

Crowhurst's duties being outside the prison, he was not in direct touch with the convicts inside; but the hiatus was capably filled by one Day, whose red collar was a good-conduct badge of a privileged position among his fellow-convicts. Between the two, a rare old, high old game was carried on. Letters to and from the world from which the immured were supposed to be cut off passed out and in. Chewing tobacco steeped in rum was available for convicts whose friends outside chose to pay for it. Day brought out letters asking for money "for a kind warder"; Crowhurst arranged for the receipt of replies, from which he extracted enclosures before passing in the letters themselves. On one occasion he thus made a scoop of as much as £4 5s. in postal orders, rum-flavoured "chaws" evidently commanding a very high price indeed.

Now that the eyes of the Prison Commissioners have been opened, it behoves the Prison Commissioners to keep them open.

Vale!

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Modern Man pays a last tribute of respect to two great modern men, a great soldier and a great priest: modern in the double sense that each not only lived in our own age but lived for that age, grappling with its new problems, and adapting his work and his ambitions to its new conditions. Lord Wolseley led our soldiers to victory in divers lands, re-created our Army, and gave it the only real reserve it had ever had. In much that he did he stood for the modern spirit of democracy. He "had no use" for fossils—and it is to his credit that the fossils of the War Office and the barrack-square, survivals of an obsolete school of thought and action, didn't like him, and at one period decried him and his innovations. Time and results justified him, and to-day the Service, the people, and the Empire that mourn his death are proud of his life.

The opinions of theologians, and their differences of opinion as to "Father" Stanton's orthodoxy or heterodoxy, don't concern us and don't interest us. Perhaps, from their point of view he was not a great "Churchman," or a "sound" one either. We don't know, and we don't care.

We are quite indifferent as to how much incense he burnt and how many candles he lit. What we do know and do care about is that for fifty stipendless years he worked like a nigger for the poor and the sick in a dirty parish of London's slum-land—the poor in pocket and prospect, the sick of body and the sick of soul. He went out of his own "class" to reach as low down as he could get among the "masses"—albeit, himself a gentleman, his influence among his social equals was greater and wider than is generally known.

Good soldier and good priest, a long and last farewell!

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Progressing Backwards.

Lord Haldane says that the state of education in the country at this moment is a peril to the nation. "We are behind the level," and may "sink in the scale of nations." At the same time, we are "going forward, and magnificent work is being done."

We gather that his lordship thinks we are sinking higher and going ahead behind.

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Billy's Beleak.

In a list of bona-fide written excuses tendered to school-teachers by parents to explain non-attendance on the part of their children, Canon Horsley gives us the finest "howler" we have heard for a long time.

"bil is got the beleak," formally certified the mother of one absentee. The laugh comes in with the interpretation considerately furnished by the worthy Canon—"Billy's got the belly-ache."

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A "Bull" in the Park.

A Park orator the other Sunday was emphasising the point that on a matter in discussion each must think and determine for himself, take up and maintain an independent attitude.

"Every man must stand on his bottom!" he exclaimed thoughtlessly.

"Can't do it, mister," interjected "a voice"—and the mixed mob understood the laconic comment on the mixed metaphor.

WHAT DID SHE MEAN?

Middle-aged Bridegroom: "I dreamed last night I had lost you, darling!

Bride: No such luck, my dear.

SEND ANY NUMBER OF FOOTBALL AND RACING COUPONS.

THE "MESSIAH'S" AMAZIN STATEMENTS.

Our representative interviews Smyth-Pigott whilst his latest favourite, Sister Joyful reclines at his feet regarding him with adoring reverence.

'MY WORK WILL GO ON," SAYS PIGOT

"The opinions of men are to me as the wind in the trees. I am absolutely unmoved by the criticisms of those who are blinded by prejudice. . . . My work will go on."

With these high words Smyth-Pigott, the self-acclaimed "Messiah" and head of the Abode of Love, closed a memorable interview with a special representative of *Modern Man* on Monday morning.

During the interview Sister Joyful, the Messiah's latest favourite, reclined at his feet and regarded him with adoring reverence.

The meeting between this much discussed man and myself took place on the borders of Wales, and not far from the historic town of Shrewsbury. I knew Pigott would be calling at the house of one whom he describes as "faithful to our cause," and took occasion to plant myself in his way when he alighted from his motor at the entrance-gates leading to the handsome house where his admirer resides.

"Divinity" in Goggles.

Pigott greeted me with some warmth. It is a mistake to suppose that he is averse to being "interviewed." He has a weakness for the limelight of publicity; and, besides, he has often remarked, with a smile, "it is good for the Cause" (that is, for his pocket). And then too Pigott and myself are quite old friends, and he is pleased to chat over himself and his doings, always keeping the personal pronoun to the fore.

With the permission of his host, I was invited into the house, and accompanied by the "Messiah," and a trickle of brides (who were contained in another car) we made ourselves at home in the big drawing-room while a trim maid brought us refreshments. I was then able to take stock of Pigott.

Truth to tell, there was little in his outward appearance approximating to his high claim to be "more than a mere man." His aged appearance has robbed him of half his good looks, and somehow a "divinity" in motor coat and goggles is not awe-inspiring. But his voice and manner have all the old charm as when he first captivated Sister Ruth and thrust his legal wife contemptuously on one side.

As usual, too, Pigott was talkative. He was ever so, right from the time when he was a callow Curate in London, and deafened his friends and foes alike with his babble. And on this occasion he was feverishly anxious to talk of himself and the "great work that he was undertaking for the sake of Humanity." I gently inquired what that was. My question provoked another cascade.

"The Faithful Must Not Marry."

"You will understand," he declared, and waved his white hands to emphasise his remarks, "that the profane world will not and cannot understand me. My sayings are dark to them. They are blinded with unbelief and malice. But the time is coming when many will be converted to me, and many too will be gathered to my Abode of Love. I have left the security that House affords me to spread the truth. I know there is danger; death perhaps. I see many things before me that would cause me to turn aside with a shudder, but for the love I have for the world I press forward. And above all I desire to teach the Gospel of true and perfect love."

I sought enlightenment, and once again the flood-gates were opened, while the circle of brides sitting around craned forward their necks to catch each precious word.

"True and perfect love," he repeated impressively, "is the natural sequence of receiving my spirit. Those who see in me the True One learn this mighty truth—that [illegible] of unity unites all the faithful together. It is like a [illegible] cord. It is as a river coming into a desert and [illegible] the wilderness to blossom. And this love is described [illegible] the profane world as 'uncleanness,' 'lust,' and so on, [illegible] hardness of men's hearts, and the blindness of their [illegible] standing!" Pigott paused and dabbed at his eyes [illegible] morsel of cambric, and the brides looked soulfully [illegible] another. Our host (more practical) pressed Pigott [illegible] some whisky. With a gesture of pain he refused.

Recovering his composure, and in reply to a [illegible] of mine, he launched out upon a dissertation on the [illegible] of marriage. The subject appeared distasteful to him. [illegible] faithful must not marry," he repeated emphatically. [illegible] is spiritual ruin," he added as a kind of afterthought.

He then proceeded very deliberately and skilfully [illegible] advance the theory of "Free love." In effect he [illegible] that all faculties of the body were good and meant [illegible] cultivated.

"As to sex," he said airily, and allowed his ardent [illegible] to envelop the youngest of the brides, "it was given [illegible] men and women might rejoice the one over the other. [illegible] the moment when the woman surrenders herself to [illegible] she loves she becomes entirely beautiful—uplifted, [illegible] alised. And the man becomes the incarnation of [illegible] with tenderness underlying the same."

The "Messiah" finished this daring sophistry by [illegible] stroking the head of Sister Joyful.

I was moved to protest against such frightful doctrine. I hinted that such practices as "free love" were [illegible] He waved my words aside with haste.

"'Sin,' What is it?"

"Sin!" he asked wonderingly, "what is sin?" [illegible] one seemed inclined to answer he went on: "Ah, [illegible] who are still in the gall and bitterness of unbelief [illegible] themselves with catchy words and phrases! All [illegible] receive my spirit are delivered from the thraldom [illegible] you call sin, and which in reality is but selfishness. [illegible] again is but the weakness of a soul self-centred. Such [illegible] as 'marriage' and 'sin' and 'morality' are not [illegible] the dictionary of the true Agapemonite," added this [illegible] man quietly, and stretched a hand for a cup of [illegible] one of his fair companions.

What could I say? Who could attempt to argue [illegible] a man who is undoubtedly self-hypnotised into the [illegible] that he is beyond the reach of those eternal laws of [illegible] and Wrong that stand like barriers to mark our [illegible] of life. And in his beautiful voice he wound up [illegible] cussion, and I could scarcely wonder that his deluded [illegible] ing of women spurred him on into fresh flights of [illegible] for they punctuated his remarks with suppressed [illegible] rapture.

"Soon the time is coming when I shall be [illegible] revealed. The time is coming—and quickly—when [illegible] be seen that the Light is beaming in the sky of [illegible] and ignorance. But those who deliberately reject [illegible] and the brides cowered at the dark wrath that was [illegible] face of their prophet—"woe to them. And let this [illegible] message to your readers:

"Blessed are they who receive me, but cursed be [illegible] one that maketh a mock of Truth."

I groped my way out into the sweet Spring [illegible] reflecting upon the heights and depths of human [illegible] credulity, as manifested by Pigott, the ecclesiastical [illegible] turer, and his deluded dangle of half-crazy women.

£10 A WEEK FOR LIFE FOR FOOTBALL RESULTS.

TABLOID TOPICS.

Some Pithy Pen Points.

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"living in" system is said to be dying out.

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…lace. We rather expected to hear of the wedding

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…a," says a daily paper, "is one of the articles of food
…requently adulterated." The grocer's motto should
…onest tea is the best policy."

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…ottingham vicar draws attention to the remarkable
… of curates. The clergy have made frequent refer-
…o this d—earth.

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…ways to tell the truth is the cleverest policy in life,"
…e new Prefect of the Paris police. In such a state-
…uch wisdom lies.

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…yde Park speaker was arrested for making a collection
…is meeting. He should have remembered the proverb,
… care of the coppers and the pounds will take care
…nselves."

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… Winston Churchill wants to give shipbuilding a rest.
…ny is more concerned with the rest of its shipbuilding.

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…ondon lady recently left large sums of money to
… of her servants. She was a friend in deed.

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…nany proposes spending an additional two and a half
…s on her aerial service. She evidently has high
…ons still.

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ACQUITTED.

…: "Have you tried our turtle soup, sir?"
…: "Yes, I have tried it, and my decision is that the turtle
…roved an alibi."

THE GAMBLING CRAZE.

What is Happening in Town and Suburbs.

It is not only in the City that "gambling hells" are known to be flourishing in large numbers, but gambling is also the cancer spot of certain suburbs of London, and unfortunately the majority of players in Suburbia are women.

Gambling has become a craze in Suburbia simply because earnest students of the follies of the aristocracy who have nothing to do have bruited it about that it is the "correct thing." And as gambling at home is not convenient or is heavily frowned upon by "papa" when he discovers the existence of a miniature "hell" in his best room, so certain Sons of the Covenant have come to the rescue and provided nice quiet retreats where matrons and misses may leave household or business cares and have a flutter at the tables. And here is a little picture of how it has "worked out" in certain cases that have been brought to the writer's notice.

The Woman Pays.

The women who gamble in Suburbia can never afford it. Once in a blue moon they win a trifle, and are spurred on to fresh efforts. But in general it means an entanglement of debts of "honour" that bring actual disaster into many a home. The husband—patiently plodding out his routine in the City—is brought up short one fine day with a sad tale of debts incurred to some little Jew who waxes fat upon the encouragement of female folly.

Perhaps the fright and the scolding pulls the gambler up, never to offend again. But not always has the woman had the courage to tell her husband everything.

Men who run Suburbia gambling-tables, and enjoy the shame of entrapped women, are quite at home at playing the game of blackmail.

The recent raid which took place early in the evening at a house in Knightsbridge, when three persons were cited as principals in the maintenance of a gambling establishment, two were charged as assistants, and ten as frequenters of the place is only one of many instances of the growing evil of gambling among the leisured—we do not necessarily mean this word to connote wealthy—classes of society, and in spite of recent actions there is a theory that all is not as it should be with the police in regard to prosperous fashionable gambling dens.

A point which lends colour to this theory is the fact that in the vast majority of cases nobody of any social consequence is discovered on the premises at the moment of a raid. That people of high social standing—sometimes of the very highest—do frequent gambling houses, is an undeniable fact. Why, then, do not their names figure on the charge sheet after a raid?

Now let us consider this point for what it is worth. As most of us are aware, the more socially-notable frequenters of gaming dens, invariably put in an appearance at a late hour, generally after supper.

Why, then, did a recent raid by the police take place at about seven-thirty p.m., an hour at which such *habitués* as we describe would be dressing for dinner?

Active Old Offenders.

Promoters of gambling houses, when they do happen occasionally to be charged by the police and mulcted in a fine—which latter, we may mention incidentally, is a mere flea-bite to the majority of them—simply change their names, and start a similar establishment elsewhere. Or, if they do not personally conduct their second venture, they put in a figure-head in the person of a "manager," while, in reality, being the actual proprietors.

At the present moment there are several houses being run in fashionable streets of the West End, and smart neighbourhoods in the West and South-West suburbs, notably Kensington, by men who have in their time been before magistrates on charges of conducting other establishments of the same kind.

It is so easy to start one of these places that the only subject for wonder is that they are not even more numerous. The only requirement is a house—preferably furnished—and this is obtained, with hardly any references to speak of—by paying a month's rest in advance. If the promoter is without funds, which he generally is at the outset of his career, he pays this out of the heavy "subscriptions" which he demands in advance from the patrons of his club—for this is what the place is, to all intents and purposes.

RECORD OFFER FOR CORRECT FOOTBALL FORECASTS.

OTHER PEOPLE'S INDISCRETIONS

AND THINGS WE HAVE HEARD.

Will any action follow the extraordinary conduct of the son of a prominent Baronet who publicly insulted the wife of a high official in the French Government service last Sunday morning in the Boulevard Haussmann, Paris? And does the excuse that the young man gave, "that he thought all French women liked that sort of thing," make a disgraceful episode any better?

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The British Ambassador, to whose ears the matter came, administered a stinging rebuke to the cad concerned. Incidentally, too, his remarks concerning the trippers who fill Paris at Easter, the majority of whom come from England, were the reverse of flattering.

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Why has the account of the "burglary" at the mansion of a notorious Society beauty been so carefully suppressed, and what was the price received by the enterprising journalist who obtained the true account of the same and proposed to sell the story to a Fleet Street journal?

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What are the people at Maida Vale saying concerning the young lady with the yellow wig and painted face, who has so completely captivated the young clergyman from the country, and whether the curate's flock are aware of the true meaning of his frequent visits to London on "pressing parochial business"?

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Few people who crossed by the boat leaving Boulogne last Monday evening at 7 o'clock were aware that quietly travelling on the same was one of the most notorious women in England, whose chequered history is indeed stranger than fiction. This was the much talked-of Ruth Annie Preece—the Sister Ruth of the Agapemone drama—who has visited Paris on business that is likely to make a sensation when the meaning of the same is before the public.

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Is the good lady who is so busy rescuing young women from the glitter of the West End at night aware of the recent exploits of her son in the same locality? If so, would it not be better for her to endeavour to curb his energies before she seeks the welfare of others?

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Is it true that gambling for huge stakes is being carried on every night at one of the largest London hotels? And how much truth is there in the statements that seem pretty general in certain circles that an American gentleman of more money than sense dropped over ten thousand pounds one night last week?

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Who was the uninvited guest who was ejected from the fashionable "crush" in Mayfair last week? And was his story true that he told with such earnestness—that the hostess had met him under romantic circumstances previously, and given him a personal invitation?

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What has become of Mr. John Kensit's "Protestant Candidates" that he was supposed to be training for use at the next General Election?

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Is it true that the eldest daughter of a peer of the realm is earning her living in the City as a typist because her father made her position unbearable owing to the opposition he showed to her lover? And is it correct that the favoured swain is a butcher employed by a Jewish firm in the City?

Great things were expected from the passing of the "White Slave Act" by way of ridding certain blocks of flats of undesirable tenants, who use the same for purposes of immorality. But how is it that in the neighbourhood of Shaftesbury Avenue and Charing Cross Road matters are worse than formerly?

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Why the little establishment devoted to "medical treatment" near Piccadilly Circus has been so hurriedly closed during the past week, is a question that is puzzling a good many faithful patrons of the same. And will not the officers of a certain crack regiment feel quite at a loss how to spend their time when they come up to Town?

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Why does a countess celebrated for her parsimony in dealing with her servants so persistently haunt the shops of dealers in second-hand wardrobes? And is it true that some of the clothes disposed of by her were originally intended for Charity and Jumble Sales?

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Why is it that a certain lady, once well-known in the Birmingham society, is allowed to go free when it is perfectly well known to the police that she is one of the most active of shoplifters? Can it be that the interest taken in her by a much-married member of the City Council has anything to do with the matter?

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What is the exact reason that led to the resignation of the late Chief Constable of Colchester? And why was he allowed to retain half his pay as a perpetual pension, despite criticisms by the ratepayers?

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REALLY!

Silly Gladys (ringing up): "Is that you, Evelyn? I'm speaking through the telephone."

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The coupon printed below will also appear in the next two issues dated April 19 and 26. You can

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and they must reach our offices not later than first post on Friday, April 25.

This competition allows ample time for all to compete, so I hope every one of my readers will take advantage of

The Last and Greatest Chance of the Season.

WHAT READERS HAVE TO DO.

On this page is given an entry form containing the names of football clubs engaged in matches on Saturday, April 25th, and for the first prize of £520 a year, payable £10 weekly, you have to draw a line in ink through the name of the club you forecast will lose. Where you predict a draw leave in the names of both teams. To the reader from whom we receive an entrance form showing the correct results of the matches given in the coupon we will award £10 a week for life. In the event of no set of forecasts received representing the whole of the correct results, £1 a week for two years will be paid to the competitor whose effort is nearest to the correct results. Entry forms must be filled up in ink; erasion or alterations will disqualify the form; and in the event of a tie or ties, the prizes will be divided.

CONDITIONS GOVERNING THE COMPETITION.

(1) On the coupon appearing on this page you will find the names of teams playing in twenty matches on Saturday, April 26th. Cross out the names of the teams you predict will lose. Where you forecast a draw don't cross out either name.

(2) Having done this, fill in your name and address in the space provided, cut out the entrance form and send it addressed to MODERN MAN, No. 26 Football Competition, Farringdon House, Farringdon Street, London, E.C. The entrance form must reach us not later than first post on Friday, April 25th. Any arriving later will be disqualified.

(3) Readers can send in as many coupons as they like. No employee of the firm can enter the competition.

(4) The prize of £10 a week for life will be awarded to the competitor whose Entry Form represents the correct solutions of all the matches played, but if the whole of the twenty matches are not played the £10 a week for life prize will be reduced to one of £1 a week for life.

(5) In the event of no Entrance Form containing all correct solutions, £1 a week for two years will be paid to the sender of the Entrance Form nearest to the correct results.

(6) In the event of a tie, or ties, in this Competition, the prizes will be equally divided.

(7) No responsibility will be accepted by the Editor for the loss or non-delivery of any effort, and evidence of posting will not be accepted as evidence of receipt.

(8) No correspondence will be entered into in connection with the competition, neither will interviews be granted.

(9) Any coupon on which any alteration of any description has been made or fictitious name given will be disqualified.

(10) Scottish readers who are domiciled in Scotland are precluded from entering this competition, and no coupon bearing a Scottish address can be accepted.

MODERN MAN FOOTBALL CONTEST.—No. 20.

Matches to be played on Saturday, April 26th. Cross out —in ink—the name of the team you forecast will *lose*. For a *draw* do not cross out either name.

BOLTON WANDERERS	v. SUNDERLAND.
BRADFORD CITY	v. TOTTENHAM.
EVERTON	v. SHEFFIELD WEDNESDAY.
NEWCASTLE	v. ASTON VILLA.
OLDHAM ATHLETIC	v. MANCHESTER UNITED.
WEST BROMWICH	v. BLACKBURN ROVERS.
BRISTOL CITY	v. BURY.
CLAPTON ORIENT	v. BRADFORD PARK AVENUE.
GLOSSOP	v. WOLVERHAMPTON.
HUDDERSFIELD	v. LEEDS CITY.
HULL CITY	v. LEICESTER FOSSE.
LINCOLN CITY	v. BARNSLEY.
NOTTS FOREST	v. FULHAM.
BRIGHTON	v. SWINDON.
CRYSTAL PALACE	v. QUEEN'S PARK RANGERS.
COVENTRY CITY	v. BRISTOL ROVERS.
MERTHYR TOWN	v. BRENTFORD.
PLYMOUTH ARGYLE	v. NORTHAMPTON.
SOUTHAMPTON	v. GILLINGHAM.
WATFORD	v. MILLWALL.

I agree to abide by the conditions governing this Competition, and to accept as final the result published in *Modern Man*. I enter the Competition on this distinct understanding.

Signature.....

Address.....

Newsagent's Name.....

Address.....

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TEST YOUR SKILL AND WIN OUR PENSION.

BEHIND THE FOOTLIGHTS.

Theatre Notes and Notions.

Exit "Everybody's Doing It," enter "All the Winners"—we hope they will be!

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To our credit be it said that rarely indeed may be witnessed the spectacle of a commissioned officer exploiting his rank of yesterday for to-day's gain. There are two of them in the same turn at the Coliseum. One of the officers is using a distinguished father's rank as the pièce de résistance of his billing material.

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The new revue, which we hope will turn the tide of fortune at the London Opera House, is entitled "Come Over Here!" Quite a good example of the irresponsibility that counts in matters theatrical to-day. Besides a host of American stars and a life-size automobile and railway train, M. Theodore Kosloff is arranging a ballet in which he himself will appear! Don't miss it!

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The gentle, appealing Forbes-Robertson is slipping out of public life at Drury Lane in an atmosphere of restrained emotion. I am sure everybody appreciates the pathos of such a finished artist relinquishing his Art practically in its prime.

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Welcome back from the provinces, Beatie and Babs, after a long and extremely successful tour.

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ONE OF THE WELSH CHOIR CONDUCTED BY MRS. HUGHES THOMAS.

BLITHE AND GAY, QUEENIE ESSEX.

Teddy Payne, our chum of the Gaiety, is sending his audiences at the Palace into convulsions nightly. Undressed exactly like Nijinsky of the Imperial Russian Ballet, he entertains a lady whose hair he has been sent to dress to his version of ballet. The funniest thing in London at the moment—easily! Herman Finck has written him in some lilting numbers; so, everything considered, "What a Game" must not be missed.

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Lewis Waller is shortly off to Australia, where he will open up at Melbourne with Henry V. What have we done? I feel very sure that just at this juncture it would be heartily welcome as a relaxation from ragtime and the "problem."

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Honri has struck a noisy line with his fearfully brazen band at the Palladium—and why does he perpetuate the happily forgotten Gaby Glide with its scarcely-veiled indecencies?

Otherwise it is a wonderfully staged show and most expensively dressed; with a magnificent specimen of the inevitable child artiste in Little Kathleen Gertrude Keating. One always gets fullest value for money from Percy Honri!

W.R.C.R.

THE WAY OUT.

A Human Pen Sketch.

It was out of the ordinary for Jack Haynes to d—deeply or otherwise. But his luck was dead out.

Every penny of the immense fortune which his fa the great banker—and other things—had accumulated left to him, together with a number of maxims for the ruling of his life, and which Jack had ignored—vanished.

He frowned, and turned his glance round the oak-pan room.

There was Ethel, of course.

And he could have her and her fortune for the asking.

Ethel loved him.

And he didn't care a hang for her. But there wa money.

"I'm afraid though it's the only way out," he mutte to himself. It's either that or work in the Colonies."

Then he stared moodily out of the window again.

Far down the hillside he could see the red tiled roof little cottage which sheltered the only being that Jack Haynes had ever loved.

"Poor little Jill, she'd vote for the Colonies, for the could come."

Jack's better nature was uppermost.

Then a knock at the door roused him from his reveri

"Another writ!" he laughed with savage merriment, settles it."

The die was cast, and Jill's honour, which Jack ha pawn, would never be redeemed.

Not that Jack felt happy or comfortable in his mind Ethel accepted him.

He had an unpleasant recollection of some words of father's.

"A man who marries a woman solely for her money big a scoundrel as the man who forces his wife or mis on to the streets to support him—both are blackguards.

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"Lucky beggar, Jack Haynes," said his friends, "marr money."

"Only in the nick of time," said one who knew mo

"He'll make ducks and drakes of it in no time, you'll said the first speaker.

"Won't have the chance, the bride's father was a old bird, and he tied it up pretty tight, even Jack wo able to undo the strings of those money bags."

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There was a grand wedding.

Jack's creditors behaved splendidly, even going so f to present the happy pair with a handsome present.

Jack did his duty on the honeymoon, and looked for to having his pleasure afterwards.

On their return the first clash of wills occurred.

Jack voted for the country—thinking of Jill.

Ethel said town.

Jack swore, but Ethel had the cheque book.

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As time goes on Ethel develops traits Jack had dreamt of.

She proves a capital business woman. She allows pocket money!

Sometimes Jack breaks loose, but it is always with and trembling.

Ethel by now is a veritable Xantippe.

It is even sadly whispered among his old-time pal she waits up for him and chastises him most ignominio

Jack explains next day he's been riding hard!!

Poor Jack.

Jack, whom Jill looked up to as unto a god!!

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The red-tiled cottage has new tenants. And in the little churchyard at the bottom of the hill, there is a mound under the yew trees which will be green over spring.

And Jill sleeps there with a babe.

Jack, who is a blackguard, lives on his wife.

Because he thought it would be easier than workin a living!!

Those three grim women at their looms in the world laugh.

Jill, though she does not know it, is amply avenged

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OVERSEA WIT AND HUMOUR.

Perry: Solomon himself admitted that he was puzzled by the way of a man with a maid."

Mrs. Perry: Well, he'd have been more excited over the way of a maid with a new set of dishes."

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Ninnycus: When smoking becomes universal among women, they'll be apt to wear trousers.

Cynicus: Oh, skirts, as tight as they are worn now, afford just as good a place to strike a match.—*Judge.*

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Visitor: Hello! What's the matter?

Little Girl: Boo-hoo! I left my bread and syrup on that chair, an' y-you're sitting on it!"

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Mary: Mr. Millions looks so much better since his marriage I shouldn't wonder if he lived to be a hundred.

Jane: I wouldn't mention it to his wife, she's so nervous any way, poor thing.

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"Your father needn't think he can bluff me. Tell him I'm going round to see him to-morrow morning."

"How nice! I'll be in town in the afternoon and will drop in at the hospital and see you on my way home.—*Sydney Bulletin.*

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Old Money (dying): I'm afraid I've been a brute to you sometimes, dear.

Young Wife: Oh, never mind that, darling; I'll always remember how very kind you were when you left me.

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The Lady: And did you find the native woman decently clothed?

The Missionary: Well—er—my dear lady—they at any rate—conform to the prevailing fashion of their white sisters.

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"Pa, why does love make the world go round?"

"Because every lover is a crank, my son."

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"Won't you marry me, dear?" pleaded the actor, after fourth divorce.

"Why, I kind o' like you, Billy," said the actress; "but I heard so much about you, I fear ——"

"My dear," hastily interrupted the actor, "you must not believe all those old wives' tales!"

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ONE PHASE OF MODERN ART.

Patron: "I have just been admiring your picture but what does it mean?"

Artist: "Ah, that's it. The title is 'The Mystery.'"—*Judge.*

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Advice.—A local vaudeville joint advertises:—

"Pretty Girls! Gorgeous Clothes—Entire Change Every Week."

Quite right, girls. Change every week and be hygienic.—*Princetown Tiger.*

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HIS BEST JOB.

"What was the best job you ever did?" inquired the first barber.

"I once shaved a man," replied the second ditto; "then I persuaded him to have a haircut, singe, shampoo, face massage, sea foam, electric buzz, tar spray, and finally a tonic rub."

"What then?"

"By that time," concluded barber No. 2, "he needed another shave."—*Christian Advocate.*

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SOPHISTICATED.

He: You are the first girl I ever kissed.

She: I thought you had a good bit to learn.

BETWEEN GIRLS.

"So you think of going aviating, eh?"

"Yes. What's the proper costume?"

"I really don't know. However, I should wear my best stockings."—*Puck.*

DON'T FAIL TO TEST YOUR FOOTBALL AND RACING SKILL.

ON THE BALL.

Teams and Their Prospects.

What with the alleged Liverpool scandal, the opposition to the suggested move on the part of the Arsenal, and the forthcoming cup final, we have plenty to think of and talk about for some days ahead.

The new source of opposition which has arisen against the proposed move on the part of Woolwich Arsenal, is, if anything, more likely to result in their having to look in some other direction than the outcry of the other teams now playing in the vicinity of Highbury, and it will occasion little or no surprise if the Islington Borough Council prevail upon the Council of St. John's College not to grant the lease.

What the Directors of the Arsenal will do if they fail to get the lease is at present unknown, but one thing certain is that if the team is to be kept going on its present basis a new ground will have to be found somewhere, as they can never hope to get the support they were at one time able to command at Woolwich. The falling off of the support that they at one time enjoyed is not, as some people would have us believe, entirely due to the paucity of their play, though it, of course, accounts for it to some extent; but the real fact of the matter is that there is nothing like the same amount of money in the district that there was a few years ago when the team was in its hey-day, and where there is no money a team cannot possibly exist for any length of time.

Sunderland's Victory.

So the result of the semi-final turned out just as anticipated, and Sunderland will appear at the Palace, though it was only after one of the most strenuous games in this season's competition that they earned the distinction, and they must have felt anything but pleased with themselves when the whistle sounded for half-time in the replay and they were a goal behind. Still, they got there, and there is no doubt that the better team won, and with two such sterling sides meeting to battle it out, we shall see one of the best and most exciting finals of recent years.

The League matches to be played this week present a very interesting appearance, and some may result as follows:—

Home winners: Chelsea, Newcastle, Oldham, West Bromwich, Birmingham, Burnley, Hull, Preston, Notts Forest, Crystal Palace, Plymouth and West Ham.

Away winners: Blackburn, Derby, Barnsley, Swindon, Reading, and Queen's Park Rangers.

Possible draws: Bolton and Aston Villa, Manchester City and Sheffield Wednesday, Clapton and Fulham, Stockport and Blackpool, Brighton and Millwall, Merthyr and Northampton.

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Our Arithmetic Note: "Multiplication."

MY NOTE BOOK.

WIN OUR £10 A WEEK FOR LIFE.

There is no busier department in ... to-day than that where the *Modern* ... No. 19 football competition coupons are ... scrutinised.

From morning till night a band of ... workers are being kept supplied with the square ... from *Modern Man* upon which readers living North, ... East and West have tested their knowledge of football ... with a view to carrying off our magnificent pensions ... and, as I mentioned last week, when the work is com... the result will be published at the earliest possible mo...

Before the last issue of *Modern Man* was on sale ... number of interested readers "hoped we would see our ... to give them another football coupon before the ... season ended." That we have been able to do so must be ... known to all my thousands of friends. Further, that ... of £1 a day for life to the competitor correctly forecas... all the results, the offer has now been handsomely increa... to £10 a week for life, which is over £1 8s. a day.

This is positively your last chance this season, so ... fail to follow the advice tendered on several pages of *Mo... Man*. If you don't, it is quite possible you may regret it ...

Then, again, the Racing Contest affords you a ... opportunity of handsome profit without any outlay. It ... you nothing, as you are told on page 2093, where full ... ticulars are given, yet the prize offered is no less ... than £500. Truly *Modern Man* encourages its readers ... it means to continue to do so.

We offer, and you can receive if you try.

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GLASGOW SECRETARY AND THE LASH.

Mr. N. D. Deuchar, hon. secretary ... Scottish Humanitarian League, writes: ... "I am confident you will allow me some ... in order to utter what protest I ... certain opinions set forth under ... 'Law and the Lash' in your issue of 22nd M... contributor, writing against leniency in the ... of the flogging clause of the recent Act. ... opinion was tremendously in favour of this cl... seems to think it necessary to make strenuous ... arouse public opinion against such Justices as Mr. ... Ridley who have refrained from availing themselves ... new powers.

"Public opinion generally does not know—I sugge... flogging a man means: it does not generally know ... such authorities as Justice Hawkins, Dr. James Dev... Glasgow prison), and many others have written in ... demnation of flogging for whatever offence.

"I wish to be moderate, in dealing with a subject ... to inflame tempers. I and the League for which I ... abominate the traffic which this Act is intended to ... but we do not think that flogging is the radical cure. ... wages for women, and better general morality, ... remedies."

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READERS AND THE ROYAL ENGINEERS.

As no less than three readers have ask... during the last few days for full parti... regarding enlistment in the Royal Engi... I decided to dispose of the subject her...

As to measurements for the "Sapper" ... they are called, my correspondents are advised to ... the nearest Post Office for a copy of the recruiting ... as the standard varies from time to time. As a ... ever, the would-be Sapper must not be less than 5ft. ... in height, 112lbs. in weight, and 34½in. round the ... have a chest expansion of less than 2 inches.

Unlike the ordinary "Tommy," the R.E. recruit ... able to produce references as to character. Further, ... he enlists as a driver, in which case he must have ... knowledge of horses, the would-be Sapper must have ... and either possess or obtain a certificate of profici...

The Royal Engineers is a fine service with ... record. In peace time their work may be humdrum, ... but in war they go ahead of an army to prepare the ... for it, while if a force is retreating they remain till the ... to delay and check the enemy by blowing up bridges, ... mines, constructing obstacles, and so on.

The dual mottoes of the Corps of Royal Engi... *Ubique* (Everywhere) and *Quo fas et gloria ducunt* (... right and glory lead). The Sapper usually lives up to ...

YOUR EDITOR.

YOUR LAST FOOTBALL OPPORTUNITY THIS SEASON.

THE MODERN MAN:
No. 38.—SIR RUFUS ISAACS, K.C., M.P.

The subject of our sketch this week can certainly claim to have had an interesting career. The Attorney-General, who was born in London in 1860, received his education at Brussels and Hanover, as well as at University College School.

He was about to matriculate at Cambridge, and at the same time read for the law, with a view to being called to the Bar, when he succumbed to wander-lust. He decided to go to sea, and joined the Blair Athol, a Clyde-built ton vessel, belonging to Greenock, and bound for Rio de Janeiro.

As he declined to sign on for more than one voyage, he was obliged to ship as a "boy," in which capacity he got a full an insight into the mysteries of sailor-craft as soon as the ship reached Rio he promptly deserted, and was compelled, as a punishment, to assist in discharging the cargo of coal. Sir Rufus was next employed on the Stock Exchange, where he remained for a number of years, and the value of a business experience stood him in good stead at the Bar, as proved by the large number of commercial cases falling to his lot.

The Attorney-General's early experience as a barrister had to do with very small County Court work, and very often, during his first two years' practice, he worked a whole day for a guinea a brief. Once asked to name some of the qualifications that must be possessed by a man who is to succeed at the Bar, he said: "The most important to my mind, are a wide knowledge of human nature, and a capacity for eliminating immaterial matter and getting to the point of the case. You must know what the real point is, and go straight for it." Sir Rufus, who is very fond of all kinds of sport, is said never to lose his temper, and is able to speak for hours without the use of notes. His best friend is his notebook, in which he stores all his facts. However statistical or difficult, and he always produces them at the right moment, without hesitation.

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WHEN THE FLIES PARADE.

MEMS FOR THE MODERN WOMAN

A return to the rational in women's attire is predicted by those who have the last word in the world of fashions. It is considered that the day of the tight skirt is past. The dress of the day must "drape" the figure, and, above all, the feet must be left free. At the same time, the robe must appear to be narrower round the feet than at the top. But there are to be no more hobbled ladies. That is the great thing. A more or less graceful walk will therefore become a possibility if the art has not been lost!

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Snapshots.

Make friends, but don't expect your friends to make you.

Sometimes love flies out of the window when poverty doesn't enter the house at all.

The way of the transgressor is soft enough; it's the place he arrives at that's hard.

Love is the greatest thing in the world, and yet nine people out of ten are after money.

If we could see ourselves as others see us, many of us would simply refuse to believe our own eyes.

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The Ideal Woman.

Who is the ideal woman, and where can she be found? The answer to the first part of the enquiry is found in one of the replies received by a clergyman when he asked the young men of his city to define the perfect wife. This definition follows:

"The ideal woman for a wife should have these qualifications: The voice of Melba, the talent of Paderewski, the figure of Venus, the grace of a sylph, the vivacity of a coryphee, eyes like the soft glow of a moonlight eve, an alabaster-like complexion, the virtues of a nun, the charm of Cleopatra, the meekness of Moses, the patience of Job, the forbearance of Lazarus, the zeal of a Trojan, the constancy of Caesar's wife, the capabilities of a charwoman, the purse of Hetty Green and hair of her own."

Some idealistic young men may think that such a one is hard to find. Not at all. For proof let him go to the home of any of his married friends, call the couple into consultation and enquire of the devoted husband if his helpmate possesses these qualifications, and, if she does not, in which particulars she is deficient. Verily, he will affirm there and then that few, if any, are lacking.

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An Odd Experience.

Fritz Kreisler, the Austrian violinist, who is one of the most brilliant musicians of the day, has been telling an amusing story of an odd experience he had during a recent walking tour in Italy.

I happened to arrive at a village during the celebration of a wedding, he says, and having my fiddle with me, besides being considerably dust-stained, I probably looked very much like an itinerant minstrel. 'At any rate, that is what the revellers took me for, and quickly invited me to help on their gaiety by contributing some music to accompany the wedding feast. I willingly complied with [illegible] found in them a most appreciative audience. [illegible] enthusiastic were they that I received a most press[illegible] tion to remain in their village and settle down perm[illegible] amongst them. This suggestion was still more emphat[illegible] advanced when I refused to accept the forty cents wh[illegible] offered me as recompense for my musical efforts on [illegible] behalf, visions of free musical performances doubtless [illegible] before their eyes! However, I regretfully refused [illegible] my tent in their midst, and in a few hours' time [illegible] again on the road.

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THE PROGRESS OF WOMEN.

He: "I do wish you'd give over using that 'make-up' on your face."

She: "You boast of being wholly a self-made man, shouldn't your wife be p[illegible]rtly likewise?"—*Sydney Bulletin.*

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Young Lady (with family album open on her lap): know, we can trace our family line right back to Eve.

Young Swain (eagerly): Let's turn back a few p[illegible]

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ROYAL AND NOBLE LOVE AFFAIRS.

No. 8:

PASSIONATE LOVE STORY OF THE FAVOURITE DAUGHTER OF KING GEORGE III.

dear Angel,—

I know why, but I felt so full that I was quite dis-
speaking to you. . . . . How cruel we did not play
Sunday. I thought your manner to me still, as if
about me. I tell you honestly, how jealous
know! And I dread your hating me. My
I am sure you love me as well as ever! If
me a kind look or word to night pray do, and
to-morrow morning riding, and don't leave me!
anything over to me till this evening, you dear
to chapel to-morrow—now do sit where I may see
you did last Sunday morning. Good God, what I
have you dear hair cut, and keep it for me."

ng and pretty woman writes to a man in this
safely say that she is "in love!" But when
Great Britain and Ireland writes such lines to a
may be pretty sure that she has "got it badly!"
Amelia had it so badly that she even n
difficult to imagine a lady of England's
of a common melody like a "broken heart."
associated with Arcadia shop-girls and jilted
Royal ladies can be very shop-girlish some-
ess Amelia, because she was sweet and in-
the depths of simple passion to which the
Royal Princesses are prone. Her little romance
the real love stories of the British Royal House.

Princess Amelia's Love Story Began.

Princess Amelia was the fifteenth child of King George III. Queen Charlotte. When her brothers and sisters were wn men and her sisters soured old maids, she came into the to bless and worry her father's old age. She was a thing—but those youngest children always are the . George III. was a stay-at-home old fellow, and his chicks—though they were such a hateful brood! memory serves us well, he never once crossed the el, and never visited Scotland or Ireland in the whole ty years of his life. (What a contrast to the George that by the way!) Well, Princess Amelia, being such a pet, always out of a morning with her Royal Pa. Now, there was an in the Royal train who boasted the semi-Royal of FitzRoy. He was of the Grafton family, and there- descendants of Barbara Villiers and King and had a good right to call Princess Amelia Charles FitzRoy was a plain commoner.

FitzRoy was a very smart fellow. Although eight, he was already a General. But he was ways than those of war Charles FitzRoy was hand at cards, and as King George liked his evening, Charles FitzRoy was often of the party, was esconced at the table with Princess Amelia doting father. That did it! She was seventeen, and was thirty-eight, clean-shaven, sensible, and a gentleman. Now, seventeen and thirty- touching finger tips above a table and knocking for months without connecting the current. last Amelia felt that current she couldn't conceal artless little soul! And except in the presence of she didn't try. But for her fine old father Princess always had the tenderest consideration. (And that was only way in which her Royal blood differentiated her from girls.)

Farmer George had already had his first spell of That had been years before. When he recovered the country had modified. And when little Princess Amelia had her father out to see the illuminations, she presented him with some verses written by one of the grown-ups, which concluded:—

"The little bearer begs a kiss
From dear papa for bringing this."

And no doubt she got it! But those days were over. It was Charles FitzRoy's kisses that she wanted now. Those surreptitious notes; the badly-concealed flutterings; the restless nights; the painful concern for her looks when Charles FitzRoy was coming, were too obvious. And the person who made it her business to render the young Princess's *affaire* even more embarrassing was a Miss Gomme. And at last the sour old woman "thought it her duty" to speak to the Queen about things. But Queen Charlotte didn't mind. All she said was, "Don't breathe a word to Father!"

Queen Charlotte Defends Miss Gomme.

But Miss Gomme was bent on mischief. Amelia was so worried she fell ill.

The Queen wrote reams of letters—and very sensible letters, too. Poor Amelia was so angry with the Gomme person that she used to "cut her dead," which, of course, provided Miss Gomme with a fine excuse to air her views of Amelia to the Queen. So the Queen used to write to Amelia in this strain:—

"My dear Amelia, I have received your letter . . . . and to come to the point directly, I will begin with Miss Gum's and your sister Mary's conduct. The first being put about all of you as a trusty person to direct and instruct you, is, by her situation, bound in honour to put you on your guard if she knows of anything that would be likely to injure you, and, as she has seen much of the world, knows by experience that the higher the rank in life the more will the world expose them, because the world expects more circumspection in their conduct. . . . . I thanked her for it, and asked her if anybody else knew about it, and she said Mary . . . . . Moreover, when you were confined with those boils, and could not go to Windsor, she offered to stay with you, as she was sure you would feel uneasy to be left alone with those ladies, etc., etc." Queen Charlotte also pointed out to Amelia that she must be civil to Miss Gomme when they met.

Hard Lot of Princess Amelia's Father.

"That," wrote the Queen to her wayward daughter, "is due from one to another. There is no necessity to make professions of love and friendship where it is not felt, but the rules of Society demand civility, as every uncivil behaviour unprovoked injures not those it is intended for, but falls back upon ourselves." Which is very true, and does Queen Charlotte much credit for a wise Frau. But poor Amelia was seriously offended with Miss Gomme. In fact, she threatened to tell her Pa! This naturally alarmed the Queen intensely. "Her rides with the King, attended by General FitzRoy, are by all means to be continued, lest the King's suspicions should be aroused. And he is not to be worried." His Majesty certainly didn't want for trouble, without being concerned for the love-affairs of his daughters. What with the intrigues of his sons, and plots to overthrow the Government, the insolence of Napoleon, and the imminent prospect of renewed war, the preparation for the expected invasion of England; Hanover lost; and Ireland in a state of rebellion, there was no room for love-troubles in the life of Farmer George just then.

During her early years Princess Amelia was under the care of Lady Albinia Cumberland. While the Royal Family were staying at Weymouth Lady Albinia wrote, "She seems too sweet and fair a flower to bloom long in this world" and the prophecy was destined to be painfully fulfilled. It was, by the

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way, at Weymouth, that General FitzRoy first came into the life of the young Princess. Owing to his descent from King Charles II., General FitzRoy was playfully dubbed "Prince Charlie" amongst the Royalties, who, of course, at that time still had vivid recollections of the Stuarts. It was in the year 1800 that Princess Amelia fell in love with General FitzRoy, and soon the most touching passages were taking place between the ardent couple. For two years they enjoyed all the sweets of a real, unalloyed romance, the only kink in their happiness being the impossibility of its ever ripening into marriage. Needless to say, this was a source of the bitterest anguish to Princess Amelia, and the hopelessness of her passion finally began to undermine Her Royal Highness's constitution. Before the summer of 1803 was over Princess Amelia was "given up for dead" by her relatives, and in expectation of her end she wrote this tender letter to her lover:—

"It is my last dying and only wish that to you, my beloved Charles FitzRoy, my best friend and everything, and whom nothing but my unfortunate situation parts me from—as I feel assuredly I am the chosen of your heart, as you are of mine—I leave to you everything I have, and request you to look over everything, and that all the treasures that I wear should be buried with me. Lose no time in executing my wishes.—Amelia."

Princess's Night Visits to Her Lover.

From this illness the Princess, however, recovered, but Despondency quickly clasped her within its grasp. For a few weeks she went to the home of the Wentworth-Vernons at Stoke Bruerne Park, and her condition there is thus described: "She would remain indoors all day, passing her time in weeping and lamentation. But at night, when the laundress brought the clothes to the house, she would be let down in the clothes-basket from the window, and wander in the park till early morning, when she was dragged up again. At night, too, she would sometimes get a chaise and be driven over to Sholebrooke Park (where General FitzRoy lived) returning to Stoke the next morning at early dawn!"

How the Queen Kept King George in Ignorance of the Scandal.

Such a mad course of conduct did not exist for long without a tremendous scandal beginning to rise. At last Miss Gomme made one final effort to save the Princess. She went to the Princess Elizabeth and spoke as follows:—"Princess Amelia is all ruined, for all the world is talking of her carryings-on with General FitzRoy. The General is always with her in her room, and she took that particular room in order that she might see him at all times. He is seen coming and going from it at all hours." All this time, it should be added, old King George was perfectly oblivious to the scandal, and in order that he should have no suspicion awakened in his mind General FitzRoy and Princess Amelia were practically thrown together upon all possible occasions. The Queen, in spite of her good sense, openly winked at her daughter's love affair, so long as nothing reached the King's ears. The Queen stood loyally by her husband, for King George's mental condition was already in a very parlous state, and the doctors feared that the slightest family trouble would completely unhinge him.

Passionate Letter to General FitzRoy.

After Miss Gomme's tirade to Princess Elizabeth, Princess Amelia wrote to her "husband in all but name" (as she called him):—

"You may imagine all I have suffered, but I love you much, *much* more dearly than ever. My dear Angel, I am so full of you; I shall go mad if I don't see you before you go. Pray God we may ride Wednesday. I have so much to say to you. Never check yourself with me now! *We are married!*"

These passionate letters, it may be mentioned, are still in existence. The time was now coming when the scandal could no longer be kept from the King's ears, and at last the storm burst. There was a painful interview between King George and his favourite daughter, and after it was over, the Princess prepared for flight with General FitzRoy. She threw herself into Mrs. Villiers's arms, weeping hysterically, and declared that she had been so insulted and tormented by Miss Gomme that she could no longer remain amongst her family. Mrs. Villiers was successful in dissuading the afflicted princess from an elopement, and then the Princess wrote one more passionate appeal to her lover.

"O' God, how I do love you! Each day and hour has endeared you to me; accept the gratitude and affection of her who owes you everything—for ever your most affectionate friend and wife. I own I can never help praying and hoping a time may yet come when the Almighty may bless and join us in persons, as we are in hearts, ever inseparable. I have loved you, prized and esteemed you more every instant. God bless you, my own dearest and most beloved Angel. Ever on earth or in Heaven equally your attached wife and darling.—A.F.R."

The initials at the end of this letter represent "Amelia FitzRoy," so it will be seen that the Princess signed herself

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if she were in reality the wife of the General. For a long it was supposed that she had, in fact, married him secretly, there is no record of any such marriage ever having taken e. By the end of May, 1809, the Princess Amelia was ally dying of a broken heart, as a result of the hopeless- of her love. She was removed from Windsor to Weymouth, for a time she showed some improvement in her health. from Weymouth Princess Amelia wrote bequeathing every- she possessed to General FitzRoy. "Nothing," she wrote, the cruel situation I am placed in of being daughter to King, prevents my being married to him, which I consider in my heart, and which vow and sole object has been my fort and guide these last ten years, and can but end with life."

Princess Amelia's last epistle to General FitzRoy was written ly, 1810:—"This you will open when I am no longer an bitant of this world. But I die as I have lived, blessing and my only comfort is the hope that I may now watch you in spirit, and hereafter we may be joined to part no e. Now, may God bless you, and may he allow me to t in watching and guarding your life, prays your dying, as living, affectionate—Amelia."

Why the Princess's Passion was so Hopeless.

ten years passed away, and Amelia died—literally of a ken heart. It may be asked, "Why, instead of breaking her t, Amelia didn't take the law into her own hands and run Charles FitzRoy?" A very natural question, and one It is, in a sense, the strangest irony in this tory, that old King George might almost be said the judicial murderer of his own—and most Some years before Amelia's birth, His Majesty to be passed the famous "Royal Marriages Act," made the permission of the Sovereign necessary to the of the marriage of *any descendant of King George II.*, person of non-Royal birth. But, by a special clause—and s Amelia's hope, and yet her undoing—it was permitted to cess to marry anyone she liked, *providing* she had reached the age of twenty-five, and gave twelve months notice of her intended marriage to the Privy Council.

But by the time she was seventeen Amelia was head over heels in love. To wait till she was twenty-five meant like waiting for Eternity. And so she died. The poets raved over her death, for since the Hanoverian succession there had been few Royal deaths, and none calculated to awake the loyal sympathy of the nation. Most of the effusions were inspired by a great deal of zeal, however poor their composition.

"From every bosom heartfelt sighs arise
Responsive echo hears their mournful cries.
Resounding Thames repeats from shore to shore
'Amelia! loved Amelia, is no more!'"

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REVIVING A MEMORY.

Mr. Bannatyne and an Early Love.

Mr. Bannatyne shifted uneasily in his leather-covered armchair. He touched a bell, and in response to his order the farm steward appeared.

"I understand there are some new people at the Grange."

"Yes, sur, very nice people, sur. Young man gave me a shillin' for openin' the gate o' the pasture ——"

"Well, now perhaps you will listen to what I say." Mr. Bannatyne flung his cigar into the fire. "I want to be sure of their name."

"Granton, sur," replied his steward promptly. "Guv'nor's name be David Granton, used to be on the Stock Exchange, but lived in these parts aforetime."

"Excellent, Gibbons!" said Mr. Bannatyne. "Excellent! What need we of further witness? It *is* David Granton come back, then! . . . Gibbons, if you allow any of the Grantons to ride over my land again you will be at liberty to go and work for them. Follow? Yes? Well, you know your duty, man!"

Gibbons shuffled out.

Mr. Bannatyne resumed his seat, and lighting a fresh cigar, puffed angry clouds. His son, calling his terrier off the lawn, looked in at the window.

"Hullo, guv'nor!"—Philip Bannatyne leaned restfully upon the window-sash, his head in the dining-room.

"Don't stand grinning there, damn you!" said the father. "Come round by the hall, like a Christian."

"All right," said Philip, laconically.

"But that's neither here nor there. Have you been round to the Grantons'—the new people at the Grange—and told 'em that if I catch old Granton or any of the family riding over my land I'll come and horsewhip the whole darned crew?"

"No, I haven't been yet—besides, I don't see how they hurt the pasture land, and they only ride in the Long Field sometimes. That young Granton's not such a bad chap either, by all accounts ——"

"Damn it, boy!" Mr. Bannatyne blazed. "I've kept and educated you all these years. Can't you do as you're told?"

The young man picked up his cap.

"Stop a minute. I want to tell you why I won't have 'em on a square rod of my property. There's a reg'lar feud, lad, between me and the Grantons. David Granton crossed my path—and that grievously—ten years before you were born or thought of. And the present Mrs. Granton ——"

"I see," said Philip. "She—she ought to be here in this house now!" Some of the anger had gone out of the older man's face, and his voice quavered.

Philip had noticed in his early youth that another photo beside his dead mother's was among his father's treasured mementos. It was not of very much matter to him, late Mrs. Bannatyne had been victorious so far that she died in full possession of a frail-looking, fair face, ... by age. But she had been a very great ... Mr. Bannatyne, for so foolishly dying, indirectly ... behalf.

"So you see," said Mr. Bannatyne, after a ... have 'em on my land. I hate David Gran...

"I don't see how that applies to young ...

"It applies to the lot!"

Philip walked away.

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When he had heard his son ride away, Mr. ... unlocked a small box and drew out a picture, ... coloured miniature in a small case. A straight nose, ... perfect Grecian features, and the hair done ... Victorian style that suited her so well. She ... Granton many long years now. Perhaps that ... so comely; perhaps age had left its mark.

Mr. Bannatyne caught a glimpse of his iron-grey ... the glass.

Then he picked up another photograph out of ... On the back of it was written plainly "My wife."

This face was prettier, but not so firm in ... istics as that portrayed in the coloured ...

"Poor—little—woman. At least you'll ... my sight now," murmured Mr. Bannatyne ... it's old I'm getting. Old—old and grey."

He strode over to the fireplace and sighed just in the slightest degree. A second later he was watching a ... miniature in a small case crackling and burning ... burning until the straight nose and the perfect ... features had browned, blackened, and faded in the ...

Returning to the box on the table, something caused ... to raise a frameless photograph to his lips.

With a mirthless laugh for his weakness, Mr. Ban... locked up the box.

It was not until two hours later that Philip returned.

"Well?" said his father.

"Glad I happened to look a bit decent," Philip ... "She was in the garden when I called. Such a ... straight nose and hair ——"

Momentarily Mr. Bannatyne forgot to be angry. There arose in his mind the picture of an old ... garden in the long ago, with the lady of the ... moving among the flowers.

But the miniature was burned now, and as he had ... signed it to the flames, so he put the picture from ...

"She's not aged, then?" said Mr. Bannatyne ... contemptuously. "Well, boy, I'll wager that your ... if she'd lived—would have been just as well preserved ... as well!"

Philip looked at his father curiously for a minute. He did not quite understand. There seemed to be ... subtle change in his father's voice.

"I'm talking of Miss Granton," he said. "... Granton seems an awfully kind, reserved old ...

He faltered.

"Go on, boy," said Mr. Bannatyne, weakly.

"Well, I'm afraid I'm no diplomat, and not a bit of ... bein' harsh with good sports, who've done me no ...

"Look here, father," he blurted out. "I don't know ... it happened, but I've booked both of us for dinner ... at the Grange, and myself for a ride with young ... to-morrow!"

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The great thing in these movements is to retain complete command over the trunk and legs, to stop any tendency to stoop forward, and prevent any disaster that might arise from lack of balancing powers.

The feet are, of course, raised on the toes, while the exercise is in progress.

Concerning Belts.

The waist, situated as it is near many vital organs, is more or less unprotected by strong muscles.

Thus we find that the invalid is often ordered by his doctor to wear a belt, to act as a support.

Athletes whose work, such as weight lifting, involves a short but strenuous spell of exertion, invariably wear belts, some, indeed, have special belts for their various feats.

On the other hand, the sprinter, and all athletes whose sport requires constant breathing and lengthy endurance, cannot show up to advantage with the waist compressed in any way.

As a rule, the runner slips the top of his drawers to the hip, so giving the waist entire freedom.

The ordinary athlete, however, finds a belt most useful.

Importance of Sleep.

There are few things so important in training for all sports as sleep, though anyone engaged in regular work throughout the day should have no difficulty in obtaining eight hours sleep a night.

Half-past ten is about the best time to retire, and this hour should be kept as regularly as possible.

You should rise just ten minutes after you wake, not immediately.

If you happen to wake up a little before the usual time, let the ten minutes drift by, and then rise.

A second sleep, started well into the morning, rarely brings with it any good effects, and a certain sluggishness will be felt throughout the early hours of the day.

One sometimes hears a man remark that the later he retires to rest, the easier he finds it to rise in the morning. The effects, however, of his short rests will very soon make themselves felt in other ways.

ROUND THE RING.

Boxers and their Doings.

The big championship slam at the National last Monday was called off at practically the eleventh hour, and it looked as if "Peggy" Bettinson was up against it. But the N.S.C. manager got a hustle on, and in a day or two arranged a capital programme, which almost atoned for the disappointment which had been sprung upon the members.

Young Joseph, our ex-welter champion, has made a hit with his shows at Wonderland, and will continue to give his patrons all the excitement they want (which is saying much). Aschel says this game is easier than shelling peas or fighting Johnny Summers.

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Georges Carpentier has sprained his hand, and in consequence his fight with Frank Klaus, like the curate's egg, is "hoff." However, the pair may meet at a later date, as both men are under contract with Mons. Vienne, of the Cirque de Paris.

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Georges may meet Frank Mantell, the American middleweight, in the near future in Paris. The Yankee has a formidable reputation across the pond, but we shall get a line on his true form when he meets Pat O'Keefe, the Russian Jew from Canning Town, on Monday next at The Ring.

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To-night at headquarters will bring us a step nearer to Jim Driscoll's successor, Kid Lewis and Young Brooks, providing the star about over 15 rounds. The pair are well matched, inasmuch as Lewis' advantage in height and reach is well balanced by the young 'un's toughness and strength, and a good stand-up scrap is being looked for.

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Sapper Jack O'Neill has tried very hard for a match with Freddie Welsh, but now that the Wizzard has departed, he has turned his eagle eye in the direction of Matt Wells. Wells, who is anxious to get busy again, is willing, providing a side stake of £100 is deposited. Mr. Harry Jacobs has offered a purse for the match, but whether this is enough to go round remains to be seen. The match is a sound investment for any promoter and should not be missed.

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STOCKS AND SHARES

BY "ORTHOS,' THE FINANCIAL EDITOR.

As predicted, markets generally have been good, and although there has been a slight reaction from the best, the undertone is firm and a steady improvement towards better prices can be looked for.

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There are opportunities in every direction to secure several reliable and high yielding investments even up to 6 per cent.

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I have never known such times when so many good and trustworthy investments have been available, and I can only urge that anyone who has money to spare should take advantage of them.

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My advance information to readers to buy Mexican Railway Ordinary has been more than a boon to many speculators who have been experiencing somewhat bad times of late.

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Mexican Railway Ordinary at one time touched 57, and although they may react somewhat on profit-taking, I look for them to steadily advance to 60 before the dividend is declared later in the month.

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Grand Trunk Third Pref. still keep a remarkably strong market, but I cannot advise speculative buying at the present price.

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My prophecy about Americans has been well borne out in buoyant markets during the last few days, and those who bought Eries on my advice have nothing to grumble about.

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I may mention that Eries are being largely bought in very influential quarters, and a much higher price for this stock can be looked for.

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Despite the big Railway Traffic increases that are now being reported with monotonous regularity, the public do not seem to be taking too active an interest in this market.

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Early last week bear covering caused appreciable rises in all the Railway Stocks, but the best have not been maintained through lack of public support.

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All the same Brighton Deferred are an admirable purchase for a much higher quotation, and Great Central B Stock, Districts, and South Eastern Deferred can be confidently supported for much better prices.

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Rubber has been an entirely neglected market owing to the lower prices realised for the commodity at the auctions in Mincing Lane, with the result that many of the leaders, especially the speculative ones, have fallen considerably.

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The present, however, is the chance for the speculator as well as the small investment buyer to pick up the small priced shares that are dividend payers, but which do not stand at a high premium, such as Allagar, Cheronese, Dolok, Kamuning and Singapore Para.

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The one and only Rubber share standing at a big premium that I can recommend with confidence is the Pataling Rubber Estates. These 2s. shares are now quoted at 1 13-16 x.d., and as in the past year they paid a 275 per cent. dividend they look remarkably cheap.

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The only active shares in the Oil market are Spies Petroleum, Shell Transport, and Premier Oil and Pipe Line.

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Premier Oils are being supported on news of another well being opened up, and Spies have been a good market on Paris buying; but, as I said last week, those who bought these shares when I advised purchasing at 23s. should now sell.

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We have received the following report from the Secretary of the Rhodesian Central Gold Mining Company:—

"Cable dated March 10th, from General Manager, states: Alexandra property has been duly transferred

By report to hand, dated March 1st: Em... Eastern Adit extended 7 feet. Driving on ... wide. Values maintained."

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The mining markets have been enjoying a ... ful existence, but selling orders from Paris in ... days in respect of various specialities have depr... somewhat.

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Chartereds have weakened slightly, but Tangan... cessions have been well supported at 2 13-32.

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Among Nigerians Ropps still remain at the absur... price of 7¼, but Rayfields at par are well worth ... as a speculative lock up Jos, Keffi, or Nor... Bauchi Pref. can be safely held.

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I have had recently brought to my notice the ... of the Simmer Deep Company, which stand at ... This is a Company which should do very well t... the public attention is turned to the market.

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The Simmer Deep is producing gold at a la... which is at present being paid by way of interes... Debenture holders, and to a certain extent ... of the Debentures themselves.

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I am investigating the prospects of this comp... hope to give my readers full particulars next week.

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BRIEF REPLIES.

Shareholder.—Do not sell your Chartereds, as you have ... and I do not think they are likely to go lower.

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The Esher Cup .....

The Guildford Handicap .....

Mount Felix Maiden Plate .....

STOCKTON, APRIL 25 and 26.

The Stockton Spring Handicap Plate .....

The South Durham Two yrs. old Plate .....

The Rosebery Three yrs. old Maiden Plate .....

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A FEW TO FOLLOW.

BY "OLD HAND."

Quite a number of readers have written during the past week asking me to name a few horses that are likely to pay their way during the early part of the season, and as I think my views may be of general interest, I am utilising what space I can this week for the purpose of a little talk about one or two that should be worth keeping an eye on.

A lot of people run away with the idea that it is not much use following an animal that is known to be a really good one, because, as they argue, it will nearly always start at a short price; but this is an altogether wrong notion, and you will find if you look up any book of form that the majority of known performers invariably win at quite respectable prices. I could point out a number of instances did space permit.

The punter must, of course, bring his own judgment to bear when he sees an animal he is following running in a race, as it does not say that because it is said to be worth following that it is to be backed indiscriminately, and without you are satisfied that it has a reasonable chance of winning you should let it run.

One that I should say is pretty certain to win over a short cut if he has not already done so whilst these notes are in the press is GOLDEN SUN, who, I am told, has grown into an extremely nice colt, and my informant assures me that he is practically certain to get his head in front before many weeks are past. It will probably be found that this son of Sundridge does not get much more than five furlongs, but over that distance he will take a lot of beating. Another useful performer over the same distance is BEAU BOIS, who has already given evidence this season that he is in racing trim. He is a good, genuine animal, and very speedy, and being a gelding does not requre a stiff preparation. I shall be very much surprised if he does not improve on his recent second to Black Cap before long by winning a nice race.

Possibly the best horse we have in training at the present time over six furlongs is CASTLETON, but beyond that distance I should not care to back him, even though he has won over a mile. Speed is his forte, of that I am certain, and if he does not take a good race over the distance I have named before very long I shall be greatly surprised.

One that I should advise you never to leave out of any race up to seven furlongs is MASHUD, who is a much better horse than he is credited with being. There may be some of you who doubt his ability to get seven furlongs, but you can take it from me that he can do it, and there are more unlikely things than he will win a Victoria Cup. Anyway, look after him in any race from five to seven furlongs, and you are pretty sure to win money.

I have only mentioned four to be followed over any distance under a mile, but if you are a discriminate backer you will find these plenty to get on with. Next week, I will get out a few likely ones for longer distances.

Until we get to Newbury at the week-end the programme is tame as compared with last week, and the first reasonably good thing I come across is HIGH ROCK, who should experience little difficulty in taking the Castle Plate at Warwick, on Wednesday. The Grove T.Y.O. Plate, on the second day at this meeting may go to SYLVA, who created a good impression at Leicester.

At Newbury, if HIGH ROCK is reserved for the Spring Three-year-old, instead of running earlier, he should win, and, failing him, I take CLAQUEMEUR, who will be better remembered as the Claque Colt last season. The Spring Cup may be won by AIGLON, who has underogne a special preparation for the race, and is greatly fancied.

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J. S. V.

OUR RACING CONTEST.

Names of Horses Entered in Events Selecte

EPSOM, TUESDAY, APRIL 22nd.

Great Metropolitan Stakes (about 2¼m.).—Tootles, Verney, Lady ... Warlingham, St. Melruan, Columbus, Wilfrid, Omnis, Bagotstown, Waver... Aye Aye, Waveberg, Agnate, Wanono, Emerald Ring, The Tylt, Jordon, ... Way, St. Teilo, Fellah, Toiler, Garinish Island, Rot's Pride, Pretty ... Pollen, Gael Rhu, Nutbourne, Queen's Loch, Winthorpe, Bowman, ... mant, Grave Greek, Candytuft, St. Colomb, Sanglamore, Gnu, ... Santee, Codetta, Golden Rock, Cavalry, Greenmeadow, Bundook, ...

Great Surrey H'cap (5f.).—Great Surprise, Hornet's Beauty, Ask Papa, ... Runnymede, Minehead, Hallaton, Poor Boy, Garryhoe, Eastern Rose, ... Sun, Ardigon, Daly's, G.P., Levanger, Well Done, Loch ... Hopson, Girl of the West, Mountain Fairy, Bramble Jelly f., ... Canzone, Privilege, Polloia, Forward III., Print, Ros Comain, Abra, ...

EPSOM, WEDNESDAY, APRIL 23rd.

City & Suburban H'cap (about 1¼m.).—Long Set, Spanish Prince, ... Maiden Erlegh, Sir Martin, Bachelor's Hope, Eton Boy, Jaeger, ... Jingling Geordie, Limon, Lorenzo, Tuxedo, Junior, Mordred, ... Nat, Drinmore, Dalmatian, Berrilldon, Uncle Pat, Short Grass, ... Hamerton, Thistleton, Outram, Misfit, Daly's, Absolute, ... day, Swan Song, Depeche, Cabaret, Agapanthus.

The Copthorne Plate (the last mile and 44 yards of the Derby Course). Abelard II., Belgrave, Stiff Neck, Sandwort, Sunspot, Spanish Prince, ... October, Marforio, Matelot, Wheatsheaf, Slip, Startoi, Chancellor, ... Dalys, Butcher Bird, St. Nat, Bobrezin, Rockland, Rismante, Kodak, ... nithorne, Bachelor's Wedding, Hampton Court II., Claretoi, Dartoi, ... Ambush, Scots Saint.

The Tadworth Plate (six furlongs).—Jocasta, Mediator, Better ... Wynbury, General McClellan, St. Cronan, Waterwillow, Musical ... Great Bradley, Bannockburn, Carson, Graun, Neville Holt, ... Esquire, Noramac, Hallaton, Sunningdale, Sugan Earl, Ambush, ... Ours, Voltaire, Bullfinch, Mix Up, Highland Beauty II.

SANDOWN PARK, FRIDAY, APRIL 25th.

The Esher Cup (1m. 60yds.).—Waiontha, Thistleton, Taslett, Matter, ... cival Kene, Meeting House, St. Meriadoc, Bonnie Bird, Diadumenos, ... Dundrum, Cestus, Whroo, Mix Up, Bilberry, Cock of the Rock, Incon... George, Burning Daylight, General McClellan, Honey Bee, Pictavia, ... Bill of Rights, Brigham Young, Eugenia Burch c, Happy Johnny, ... Duke of Tipperary, Starboard Light, Loch Earn, The White Nun, ... girl, Normandy Boy, High Rock, Charlton, Almond's Nek f, ... Sumurun, Evening Pleasure, Vermouth, Spenser, Bolo, Gil Blas, ...

The Guildford Handicap (one mile and a half).—Kitty Muldoon, ... dum, Montry, Sysonby, Fiz-Yama, Candytuft, Razel, Briery, Rot's ... St. Vitus, Renown, Wangara, Marco Fraser, Florentino, Great ... Bundook, Belted Earl, Lavaine, Mesmer, Powder and Shot, ... Luxembourg, Jordon, Lichen, Catiline, Covert Side, Combermere, ... Fire, MacSherry, Saucepan, Santee, Bonfire, Shanballymore, ... Luck, Montreal, Fort, Goliath, Kerman, Greenland Falcon, ... Cookhill.

The Mount Felix Maiden Plate (one mile and 60 yards).—Flower ... Sirabia, FitzJames, Rectify, Montreal, Wise Mac, Knight's Key, ... Sequitur, Paul Lamerie, Rubber King, Claquement, Sandpark, ... Maid, Loch Chon, Washington, Windswept, Closheen, Baronin, ... Blue Stone, Simon the Jester, Cyklon, Loder's Augur, Inconstant, ... Cragwin, Wherryman, Irish Castle, San Stefano, Bolo, Glass Bell, ... Lundy, Christopher, Courtlands.

STOCKTON, FRIDAY, APRIL 25th.

The Stockton Spring Handicap Plate (one mile and a half).—St. ... Kerry, Vale of Doon, Closewood Beck, The Guiler, Welwyn, Susan, ... Work, Scotney, Over Anxious, Braemar, Gun Mount, Snow Serf, ...

The South Durham Two yrs. old Plate (colts, 8st. 12lb., fillies ... ings, 8st. 9lb., 5f.).—Lady Cythera Felice, Fishwife, Bonnyrigg, ... Billy Boss, Skip g, Gracious, Malakand, Oceanus, Fanlight, ... Lanky Lady, Blanchette g, Sweet Margaret c, Lady Tertius, ... Vane, Tom Fir, Heliostat, Foxtones f, Neurotic.

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STOCKTON, SATURDAY, APRIL 26th.

The Fairfield Two yrs. old Plate of 100 sov.; colts, 8st. 12lb., ... geldings, 8st. 9lb.; five furlongs.—Jabbergee, Anticlea, Sawyer, ... Camp-Lu, Skipper Hayes, Villeroy, Housewife f, Port Carlisle, ... Queen c, Sweet One f, Cocking Bell c, Tit for Tat f, Marque, ... Mouchette, Blundella f, Lady Dundas f.

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By CAPTAIN L. H. SAUNDERS.

Patent leather boots have become somewhat unpopular. At the best they were always an uncertain investment, for no bootmaker can honestly guarantee his patent leather against cracking or splitting.

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They are still, however, correct wear with frock coat and evening dress (if wearing boots) and they are not incorrect with morning dress, or, in town, with a dark lounge suit.

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Don't, however, wear patent leathers with a light lounge suit, or out-of-doors in the country, or at the seaside.

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Spending Easter by the sea I saw many patent leathers on the "Front" and felt sorrowful.

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If all boots should be kept on trees when not in use, this is absolutely essential in the case of "patents."

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T.G. (Fairbenod (?), Hants) asks for a few hints on wedding clothes for men. As the poet hath justly observed: "In the spring a young man's fancy lightly turns to thoughts of love."

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Well, T.G., you may please yourself whether you wear a frock or morning coat, the latter being just now decidedly the more fashionable.

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Formerly a bridegroom invariably wore a white or light coloured fancy waistcoat, but nowadays a dark waistcoat with a white vest slip is not out of order.

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Tie and trousers should be light, the latter preferably grey in hue, while linen should be spotlessly white.

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The "topper" is the only "possible" hat to be married in, while your boots should preferably be "patent," though black box calf or glace kid are not incorrect.

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Don't, however, wear brand new boots for your wedding. For one thing, new boots are apt to be slippery, and for another, unless the maker's marks on the soles have been removed they will excite unseemly mirth when you are kneeling down.

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Your gloves should be lavender, lemon, or light grey. You hand them, of course, to your best man, along with your hat, when the service begins.

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You should wear a white or bright buttonhole, and as cheerful and unconcerned expression as you can assume.

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J.H. (Chichester) inquires what to put with his clothes when not in use to impart to them a sweet and refreshing smell?

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Somehow or other, J.H., your query reminds me of the "rare and refreshing fruit" of the National Insurance Act.

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However, not to be either frivolous or political, the best way of preventing clothes from becoming musty is frequently to expose them to fresh air and sunlight.

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A ball or two of camphor or a bag of lavender will also help to keep them fresh and sweet smelling.

OUTDOOR SPORTS.

A useful booklet which is sure to be of interest to our readers is the "Summer Sports List," issued by Messrs. John Piggott, Ltd., 117 and 118, Cheapside, London, E.C. This illustrated list, which gives particulars of everything connected with summer sports, from garments to wear down to accessories to play with, will be sent post free anywhere in the United Kingdom, on receipt of a postcard.

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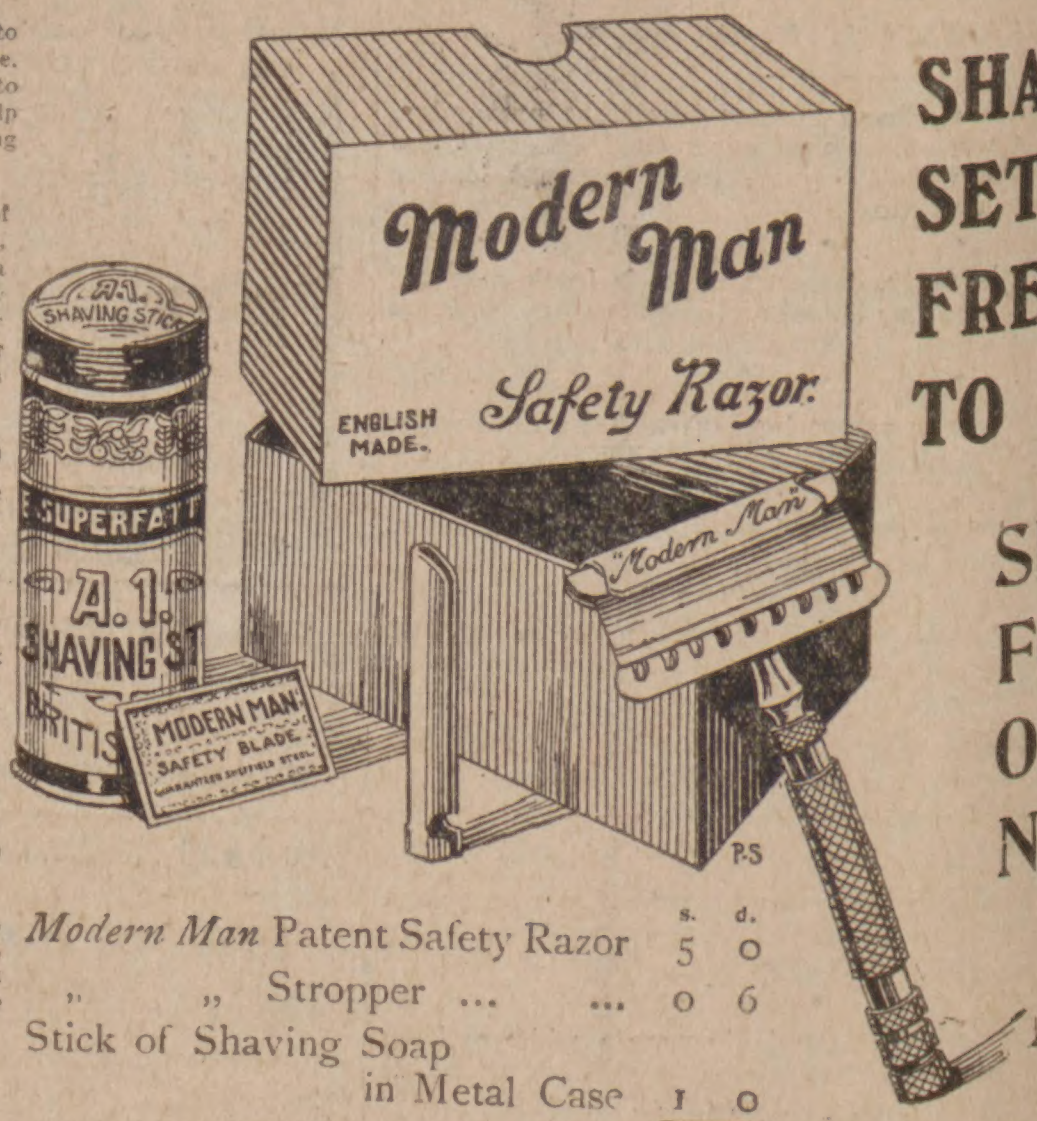

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